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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for Reissue  
of U.S. Patent No. 5,981,940

Issued: November 9, 1999

Patentee: Robert Setbacken et al.

U.S. Reissue Patent Application  
Serial No.: 10/039,336

Filed: October 29, 2001

For: ANGLE MEASURING SYSTEM  
WITH A CLAMPABLE SHAFT

Examiner: Le, Que Tan

Art Unit: 2878

## **SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF THE INVENTORS, ROBERT SETBACKEN AND RICHARD MICHAEL GOEDEN, ON APPLICATION FOR REISSUE**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We, Robert Setbacken and Richard Michael Goeden, hereby declare that:

1. The entire title to U.S. Patent Number 5,981,940 ("the '940 patent") for ANGLE MEASURING SYSTEM WITH A CLAMPABLE SHAFT, granted on November 9, 1999 to us, Robert Setbacken and Richard Michael Goeden, is vested in Renco Encoders, Inc. On March 25, 1998, the entire rights in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/929,539 ("the '539 application"), filed September 15, 1997, were assigned from us, Robert Setbacken and Richard Michael Goeden, to Renco Encoders, Inc. The assignment from us to Renco Encoders, Inc. was recorded in the U.S. Patent Office and is located at Reel 9080, Frames 281-284. On November 9, 1999, the '539 application issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,981,940.

2. Upon information and belief, we aver to the following facts:

3. Our names, residence, mailing address, and country of citizenship are given below:

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4. We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified reissue application specification, including the claims, as amended by a Preliminary Amendment filed on October 29, 2001 and an Amendment concurrently filed with the present Supplemental Declaration.

5. We, Robert Setbacken and Richard Michael Goeden, believe that we are the original and first inventors of the subject matter which is described and claimed and for which a reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,981,940 is sought.

6. We acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability and the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

7. We believe that the original '940 patent is partly inoperative or invalid by reason of our claiming more or less than we had the right to claim in the patent.

8. Every error in the patent which was corrected in the present reissue application, and is not covered by the prior declaration submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intent on our part.

9. We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: 29 Jan 2003

Robert Setbacken  
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Rick Goeden  
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